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C O N F I D E N T I A L AMMAN 3192

DEPARTMENT PASS TREASURY - FOREIGN ASSESTS CONTROL

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, SN, JO, AG

SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE EMBASSY ACCOUNTS

REF: (A) STATE 109114 (NOTAL) (B) AMMAN 3021 (NOTAL)

(C) AMMAN 3083 (NOTAL)

1. ALGERIAN CHARGE INFORMED US THAT GOJ FONMIN HAS AUTHORIZED ALGERIAN EMBASSY TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR INTERESTS OF GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAM IN JORDAN. ALGERIAN CHARGE IS GOING ON ASSUMPTION THIS ALSO INCLUDES CONTROL OF RVN EMBASSY BANK ACCOUNT WITH FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK-AMMAN AND INQUIRED CONCERNING USG POSITION IN ITS REGARD.

2. ACCOUNT IS NOW BLOCKED BY GOJ AND, IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE ALGERIAN DEVELOPMENT MENTIONED ABOVE, WE HAVE NOT REPEAT INFORMED FNCB-AMMAN THAT TREASURY (REFTEL A) HAS UNBLOCKED THE ACCOUNT.

(IT CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY \$15,000 AND IF RVN

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EMBASSY ESTIMATES ARE CORRECT, OUTSTANDING DEBTS

AMOUNT TO ALMOST \$10,000, INCLUDING \$5,000 OWED  
TO FNCB-AMMAN.)

3. IN REPLY, WE INDICATED TO ALGERIAN CHARGE WE WOULD  
WISH TO DISCUSS ISSUE WITH GOJ FOREIGN MINISTRY (WE  
HAVE APPOINTMENT TOMORROW) TO UNDERSTAND CURRENT GOJ  
POSITION. WE ALSO INDICATED OUR INTEREST IN PAYMENT  
OF OUTSTANDING RVN EMBASSY DEBTS AND PROVIDING FUNDS  
FOR HUMANITARIAN PURPOSES CONNECTED WITH FORMER RVN EMPLOYEES  
AND THEIR FAMILIES REMAINING IN JORDAN, INCLUDING SUBSISTENCE  
AND POSSIBLE TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES. ALGERIAN CHARGE  
SAID THESE ARE HIS PERSONAL DESIRES REGARDING DISPOSITION  
OF FUNDS AND HE WOULD SEEK PERMISSION OF HIS GOVERNMENT  
FOR DISPOSAL OF FUNDS ON THAT BASIS. HE ALSO INDICATED  
HE WOULD IN MEANTIME ATTEMPT TO GET AN IDEA OF THE  
CURRENT DEBTS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION FOR THE RVN  
EMBASSY AND PERSONNEL.

4. OUR ORIGINAL REQUEST TO UNBLOCK RVN EMBASSY FUNDS  
OCCURRED BEFORE THIS LATEST DEVELOPMENT AND WE ARE NOW  
UNCERTAIN AS TO WHAT THE ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT'S POSITION  
(PRESUMABLY OPERATING ON INSTRUCTIONS OF PRG) WILL  
BE REGARDING DISPOSITION OF FUNDS. IN MEANTIME,  
BOTH FORMER RVN AMBASSADOR AND COUNSELOR HAVE  
DEPARTED JORDAN WITHOUT DRAWING FUNDS FROM ACCOUNT,  
LEAVING ONLY ADMIN OFFICER AND FAMILY AND THREE  
RELATIONS OF AMBASSADOR HERE.

5. AS A RESULT OF POSSIBILITY ALGERIANS MAY ASSUME  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR RVN OFFICIAL ACCOUNT ON BEHALF  
OF PRG, WE HAVE NOT INFORMED FNCB-AMMAN OF TREASURY  
DECISION (REFTEL A) TO UNBLOCK ACCOUNTAM IF IT IS  
STILL POSSIBLE TO DO SO, AND UNLESS DEPARTMENT OBJECTS,  
WE REQUEST THAT DEPARTMENT ASK TREASURY NOT TO PROVIDE  
LICENSE TO FNCB-NEW YORK FOR UNBLOCKING OF ACCOUNT,  
PENDING DETERMINATION OF GOJ AND ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT  
(PRG) POSITIONS, AFTER WHICH WE WILL PREPARE  
APPROPRIATE RECOMMENDATION TO DEPARTMENT AND TREASURY.

6. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFO DEPARTMENT  
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MAY HAVE ON POSITION GOA IS TAKING REGARDING DISPOSITION  
OF RVN BLOCKED ACCOUNTS AROUND THE WORLD.  
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